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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 8, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. An Exhibit A and a petition for extension of time for two months, from January 8, 2005 to March 8, 2005 are included herein.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.